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Letter dated 31 May 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 31 May 2006 from Lam Akol Ajawin, Minister for Foreign Affairs, addressed to the President of the Security Council concerning the repeated aggressions by the Government of Chad against Sudanese territories and its support to the outlaws in the Darfur region (Western Sudan) in an attempt to impede the implementation of the Darfur Peace Agreement (see annex).

I would greatly appreciate it if you would circulate the present letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

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1. Since the signing of the Darfur Peace Agreement, the Chadian Government has been actively inciting certain leaders, both political and in the field, in order to weaken the groups that have signed the Agreement and fight them on the ground.

2. The Chadian Government is supporting the Adam Bakhit rebel group with a number of 106-mm guns. Such support was again given on 24 and 25 May 2006, and involved the provision of light arms, machine-guns and heavy 106-mm guns. The Adam Bakhit rebel group used those weapons in attacks conducted by the group in the region of Bi'r Mazzah and Quraydah.

3. On 25 May 2006, the Chadian Government supported the Justice and Equality Movement with vehicles, weapons and ammunition and moved the forces of that group from the Ba'hay area in order to join them with the Adam Bakhit rebel group, which began attacking a number of areas in Darfur.

4. Also, and in clear violation of the Tripoli Agreement, on 7 May 2006, a force belonging to the Chadian Army, equipped with heavy weapons, five Land Cruisers and two armoured vehicles, set out from inside Chadian territory and attacked the Tiltil area and surrounding villages, situated approximately 15 kilometres north of the town of Baydah. As a result of that attack, 9 individuals belonging to our armed forces died and 14 were wounded, four of whom are in critical condition.

5. Chad's violations and aggression and the support provided to rebel movements by the Chadian Government constitute a grave threat to peace and security in Sudanese territory and in the region as a whole. They also undermine the Darfur Peace Agreement and undo the enormous efforts made by the African Union and the international community in order to reach that Agreement.

Lam Akol Ajawin
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